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By: Nicholas DeCore

I'm sorry for being a white male in America,
I didn't chose.

I'm sorry for being able
To walk down streets
And not collect stares
From strangers on the sidewalks.

I'm sorry for being able to shop
In grocery stores, looking
At soup cans and cereal boxes
While not signaling to a store employees
That I may be shoplifting.

I'm sorry for the biological imbalances
Society associates with how
Our cells handle the sunlight,
Merely pigmentational differences in our dermi.

I'm sorry for knowing the hidden rules
In school and how to play the game.
When to speak, stand, sit, and study-
Showing faculty and staff how *smart* I am.

I'm sorry for my ignorance;

I'm sorry it took me Twenty- two years
To realize these things.